

Housing for Hope

Transitional Housing for Survivors of Domestic Violence



Safe Harbor and YCC support individuals and families impacted by domestic and sexual violence through shelter, supportive services, and advocacy.



IMAGINE...

Your daughter, your sister or your mom in a situation so unsafe for her and her children that she is willing to leave her own home with only the clothes on her back to escape and stay in a shelter.

Crisis Shelter

How do people come to domestic violence crisis shelters?

- Walk In or Dropped Off
- Law Enforcement Referrals/Drop Off
- Emergency Room Referrals
- Other Agency Referrals
- School/Child Referrals

Average Stay: 45 days



What Happens After Shelter?

Options

- Placed into housing
- Stay with friends or relatives
- **Homeless**
- **Some return to their abusive relationship because THEY HAVE NO OTHER CHOICES.**



Over 80% of survivors entering shelters
identified,

“Finding housing I can afford”

as a need, second only to

“Safety for myself”

at 85%.

(NNEDV)



Transitional Housing

The background of the slide is a faded architectural rendering of a modern, two-story residential building. The building has a light-colored facade with multiple windows and a central entrance. In front of the building is a paved parking lot with several cars parked. A road with a white curb runs along the foreground. The sky is blue with some clouds.

Typical Stay: 3-24 Months

Safe and Secure Housing with Onsite Support

- Advocacy—navigating judicial system, DCFS, CPS
- Therapy/Counseling
- Children's Services
- Coaching and collaboration with other agencies; e.g., job skills, life skills, parenting, budgeting

Why do DV Survivors Need Specific Housing?

Frequently, abuse includes:

- Excluded from decision-making
- Blocked from finances
- Legal documents held or destroyed
- Not allowed to work
- Credit history is destroyed
- Rebuilding to become a good tenant or homeowner takes time and support
- SAFETY





The most dangerous time for a person to leave an abusive relationship is while leaving and 2 years following.

In Utah, since 2000, 42% of homicides were DV related.

Utah children witnessed 22% of DV homicides.

Source: health.Utah.gov/vipp/topics/domestic-violence

Do Transitional Housing Programs Work?

Transitional housing paired with intensive, ongoing case management reduce burdens or reliance on:

- Healthcare, first responders & law enforcement
- Crime: reduces homicides and assaults
- Judicial system
- Child protective services
- Government support
- Homelessness
- Reduction/Mitigation of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)





YCC Transitional
Housing Location

YCC FAMILY CRISIS CENTER LOCATION

SAFE HARBOR LOCATION



Safe Harbor Hope
Housing II Location

Why now?

Now is the time to act

- Dramatic increase in DV since the onset of Covid
- Extreme attainable housing shortage
- Supportive federal funding on the horizon for transitional housing programming
- We have an opportunity to impact lives, including a lot of children
- **Before it's too late for some...**



Why us?

- Safe Harbor and YCC have been serving this highly vulnerable population for a combined 94 years.
- We are experts in helping end violence and restart lives.
- We offer shelter, resources, therapy, and childcare, but our housing options are severely limited.
- Transitional Housing is the missing link to help generations end domestic violence in their family.
- We have city, county and private support. All we need is **YOU**.





Adaptation of the poem by Paulette Kelly

The Final Piece is You!

PRIORITY #5

